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WARD 6

COUNCIL MEMBER: ABDI WARSAME

population: 27,996

2015

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Ward 6

Context

Ward 6 is a vibrant community at the heart of Minneapolis with a diverse mix of neighborhoods, an active and engaged citizenry and thriving arts and educational institutions. It is home to the Twin Cities' largest East African community as well as the center of the Native American community in Minneapolis.

Ward 6 is currently represented on the City Council by Abdi Warsame, first elected in 2013 and the first Somali-American to serve on the council.

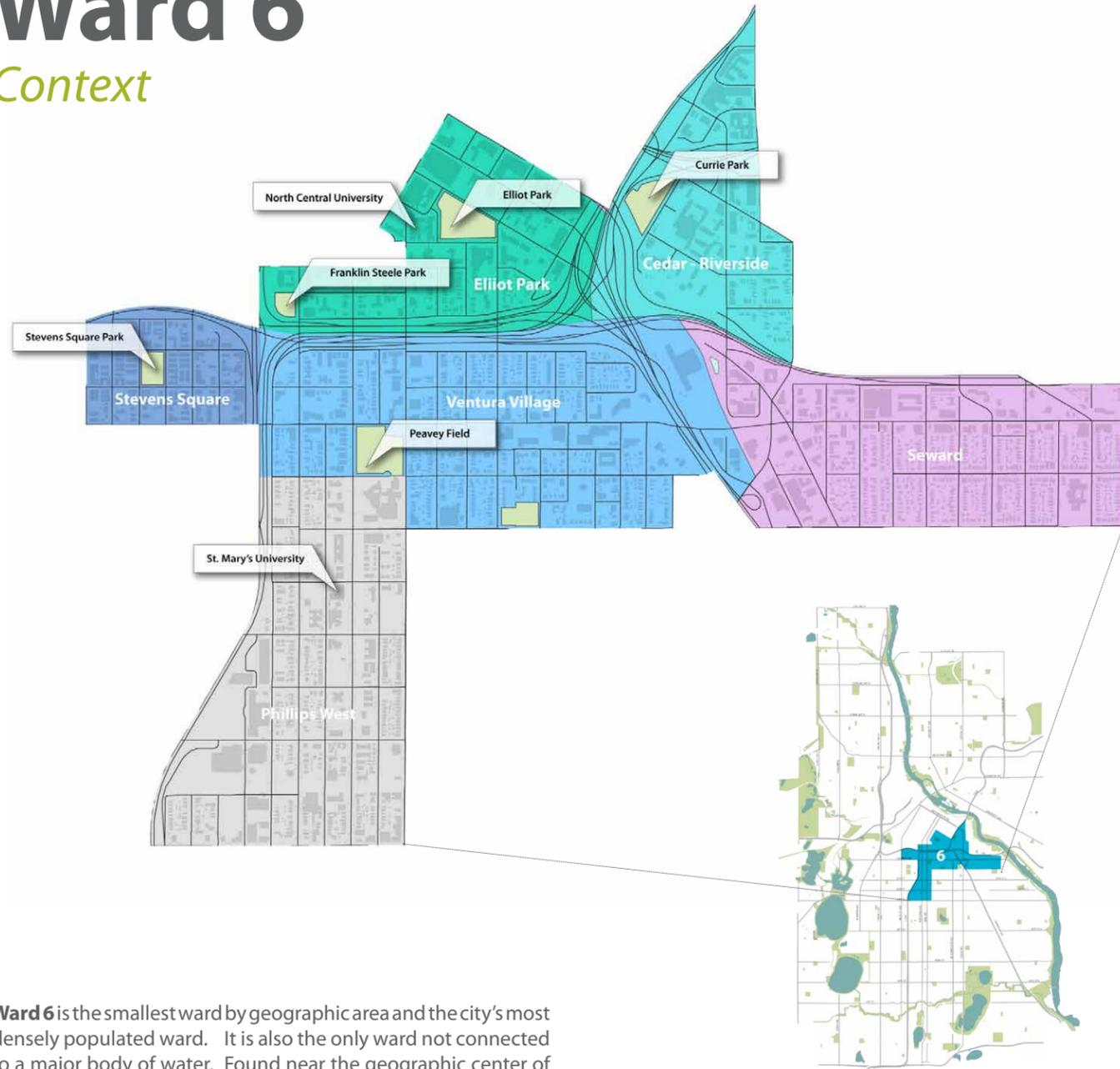


***Riverside Plaza** is a modernist and brutalist apartment complex designed by Ralph Rapson that opened in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1973. Situated on the edge of downtown Minneapolis in the Cedar-Riverside neighborhood, and next to the University of Minnesota's West Bank, the site contains the 39-story McKnight Building, the tallest structure outside of the city's central business district. Initially known as Cedar Square West, exterior shots of the complex were featured on television as the residence of Mary Richards in sixth and seventh seasons of *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*.*

Riverside Plaza is composed of six buildings and has 1,303 residential units, making it the main feature of the city's Cedar-Riverside neighborhood. Each building has a different height, intended to reflect the diversity of its population. Rapson was inspired by the time he spent in European cities, where people of different ages and levels of wealth coexisted in close quarters. The area was developed with support from the U.S. federal government's New Town-In Town program, and was originally planned to be part of a utopian design that would have seen 12,500 units spread across four neighborhoods housing a total of 30,000 people.

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Context



Ward 6 is the smallest ward by geographic area and the city's most densely populated ward. It is also the only ward not connected to a major body of water. Found near the geographic center of Minneapolis, Ward 6 is sharply divided by the interstate highway systems into a collection of small but vibrant communities with several active community parks and important community and cultural corridors.

Neighborhood Communities

- Stevens Square
- Phillips West
- Ventura Village
- Seward
- Cedar-Riverside
- Elliot Park



Riverside Plaza Towers



Concert at the Cedar Cultural Center



American Swedish Institute

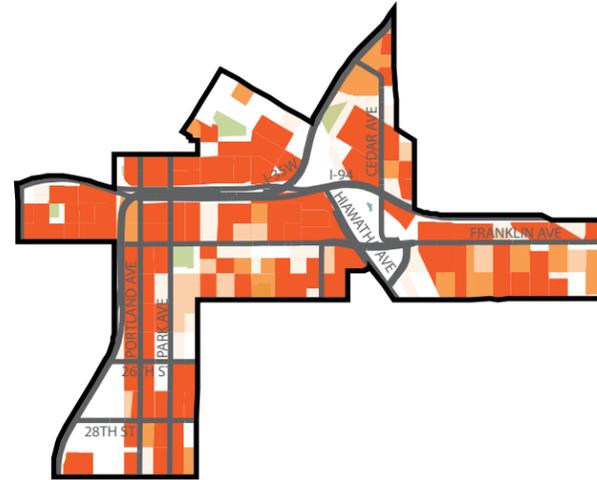
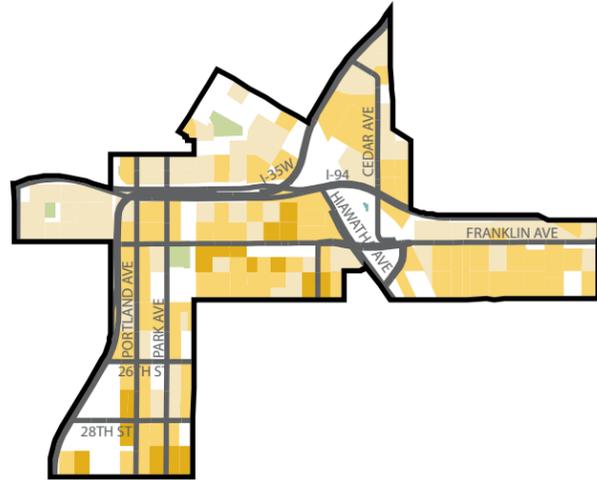


Milwaukee Avenue Historic District

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Population*

* Population, Housing, Age and Race/Ethnicity data is collected from the 2010 census conducted by the US census bureau. Income, Education and Employment data is collected from the 5 year American Community Survey summary data for the years 2008-2013.



Average Household Size per Census Block

- 1 - 2 ppl/household
- 3 - 4 ppl/household
- 5 - 6 ppl/household
- 7+ ppl/household

Total Population per Census Block

- 1 - 49 ppl/block
- 50 - 65 ppl/block
- 66 - 89 ppl/block
- 90+ ppl/block

Housing: Average Household Size (Minneapolis)



Housing: Average Household Size (Ward 6)



Population: Average Population by Census Block (Minneapolis)



Population: Average Population by Census Block (Ward 6)



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Housing



Renter Occupied Units as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block

- 1 - 20%
- 21 - 40%
- 41 - 60%
- 61 - 80%
- 81 - 100%

Owner Occupied Units as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block

- 1 - 20%
- 21 - 40%
- 41 - 60%
- 61 - 80%
- 81 - 100%

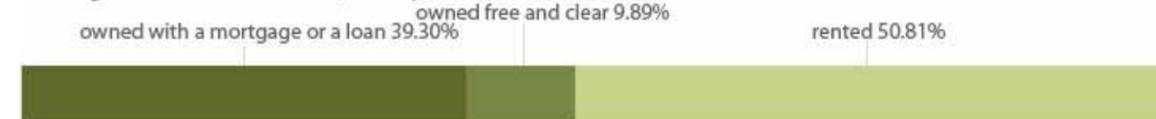
Housing: Vacant vs. Occupied (Minneapolis)



Housing: Vacant vs. Occupied (Ward 6)



Housing: Owned vs. Rented Units (Minneapolis)



Housing: Owned vs. Rented Units (Ward 6)



38.74% higher rate of rented units, compared to the rest of the city

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Minneapolis American Indian Center

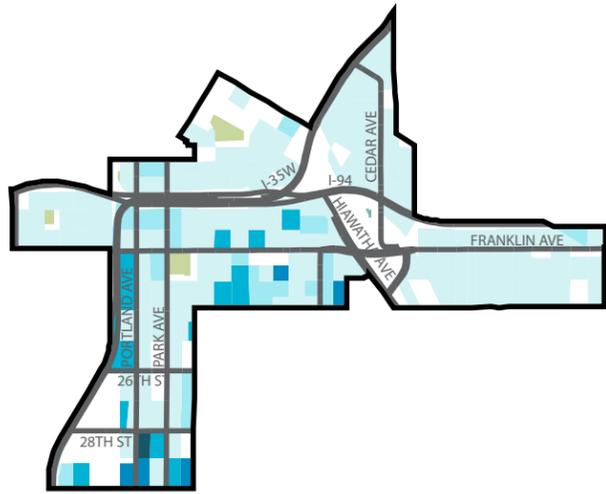
*Incorporated as nonprofit in 1974, the **Minneapolis American Indian Center** has a rich history as one of the first urban American Indian Centers in the country providing services otherwise often unavailable for urban American Indians. The Minneapolis American Indian Center was initially formed by community members, and continues its roots today with majority American Indian leadership and staffing.*

The Minneapolis American Indian Center is focused on serving a large and tribally diverse urban American Indian population, numbering well over 35,000 in the eleven-county Minneapolis-St. Paul metro area. Its mission is lived through programs that are guided by strong Native values that include preserving and supporting cultural traditions through the arts, and intergeneration programs promoting healthy lifestyles.

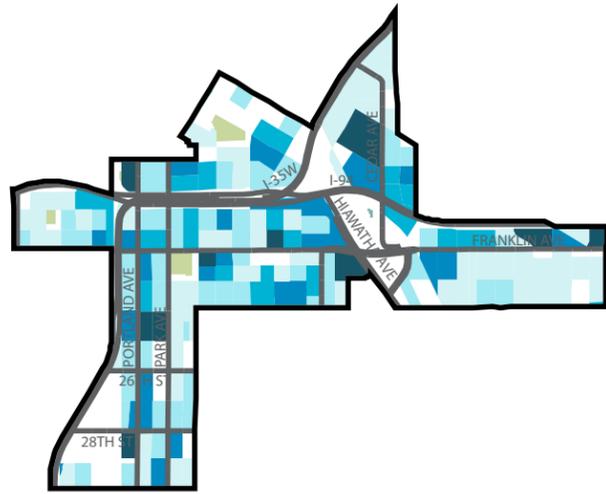
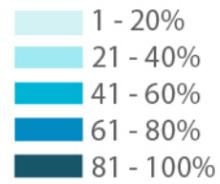


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Race + Ethnicity



People Identifying as Hispanic or Latino as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



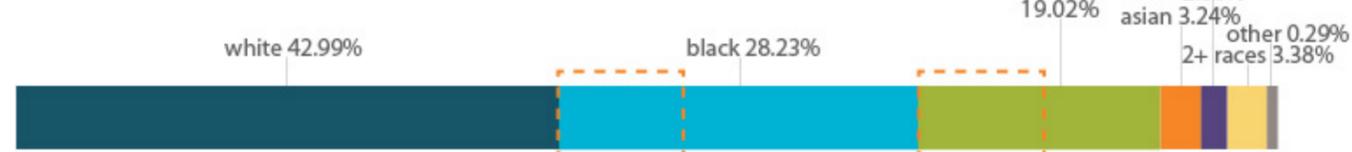
People Identifying as Black or African American Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



Race and Ethnicity (Minneapolis)

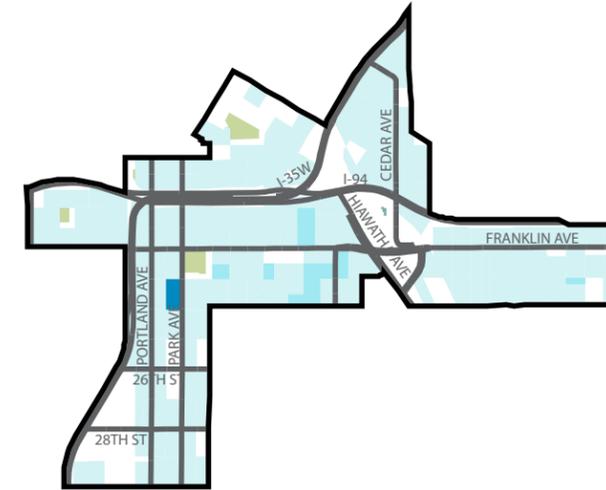


Race and Ethnicity (Ward 6)

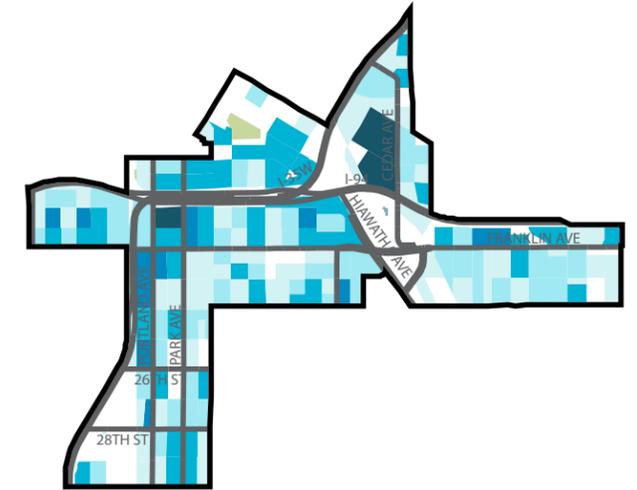
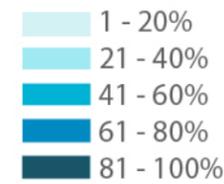


9.94% higher black population, compared to the rest of the city

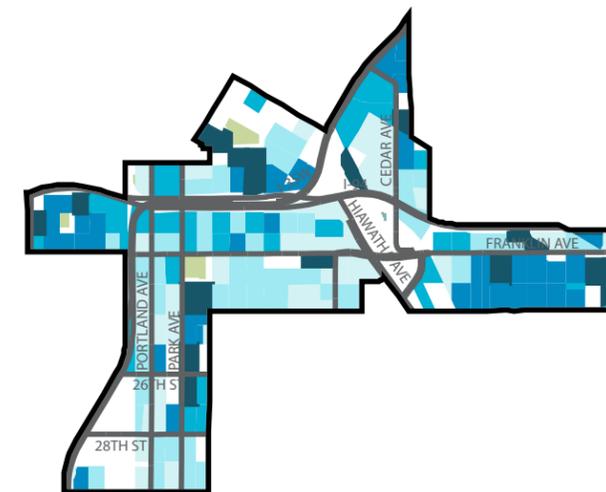
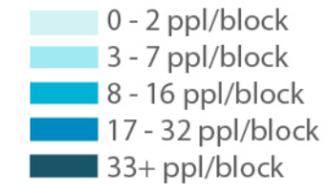
8.55% higher hispanic or latino population, compared to the rest of the city



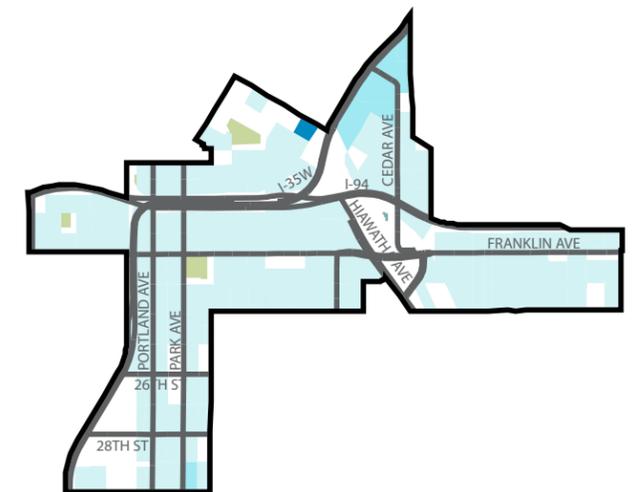
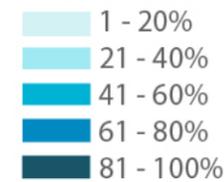
People Identifying as American Indian or Alaska Native Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



People Identifying as Two or More Races as a Count Per Census Block



People Identifying as White Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



People Identifying as Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander Only as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



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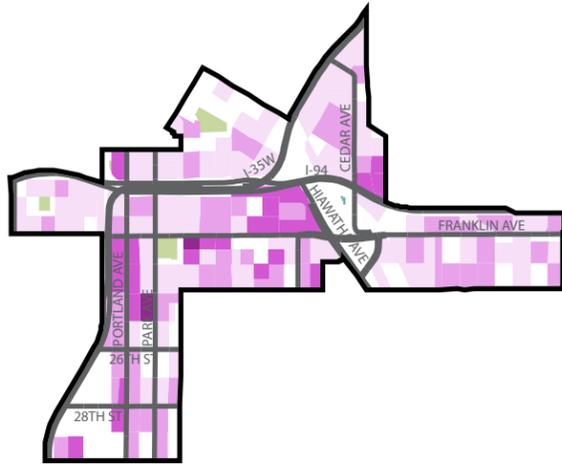
Stevens Square Historic District

The Stevens Square Historic District is mainly comprised of apartment buildings and single-family houses constructed during the 1910s and 1920s. Centered around Stevens Square park, these brick apartment buildings played a significant role in the residential development of Minneapolis before and after World War I. The district is contained within a one and one-half block radius of the park. It is roughly bounded by 17 th Street East on the north, Franklin Avenue on the south, 3 rd Avenue on the east, and 1 st Avenue on the west, including the alley just west of 1 st Avenue.

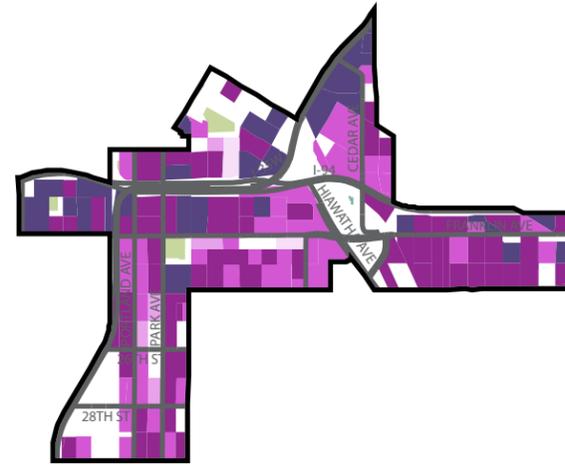
The neighborhood is unique because of its remarkable consistency in its housing characteristics, design, and appearance. The apartment buildings themselves are constructed of brown brick with occasional stone, terra cotta, and tile detailing. All of the buildings show an amazing degree of detail in the entries, cornices, and quoining, and have not been considerably altered since their construction. The first large apartment constructed in the area was Stevens Court (128-132 E. 18 th St.), in 1912. The district is significant as a total expression of the convergence of development trends, housing markets, design, building regulations, and land available as a result of historical circumstance, at a particular moment in Minneapolis history.

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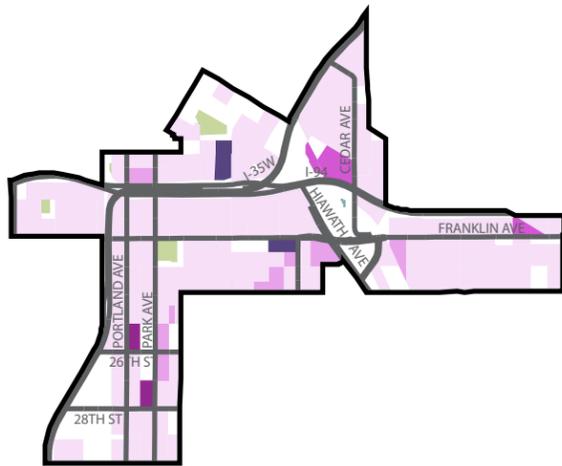
Age



Population 20 Years and Younger as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



Population Age 21 - 64 as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



Population Age 65+ as a Percent of Total Units Per Census Block



kids aged 20 and younger 26.18% adults aged 21-64 65.85% Older adults aged 65+ 7.98%



Population: Age Groups (Ward 6)

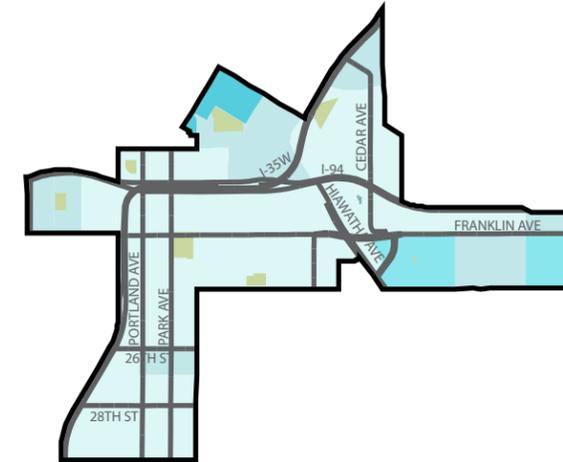
kids aged 20 and younger 21.27% adults aged 21-64 73.39% Older adults aged 65+ 5.34%



population of adults aged 21 - 64 is 7.54% higher than the rest of the city

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Income



Mean Per Capita Income



2014 Income Levels (Minneapolis)*

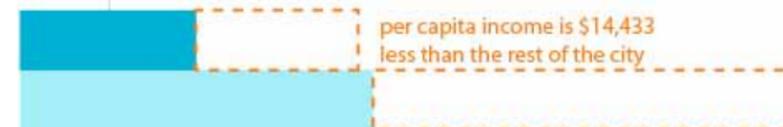
per capita income \$28,741



average household income \$65,898

2014 Income Levels (Ward 6)*

per capita income \$14,308



average household income \$28,910

per capita income is \$14,433 less than the rest of the city

average household income is \$36,988 less than the rest of the city

*Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010, Esri forecast for 2014

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American Swedish Institute

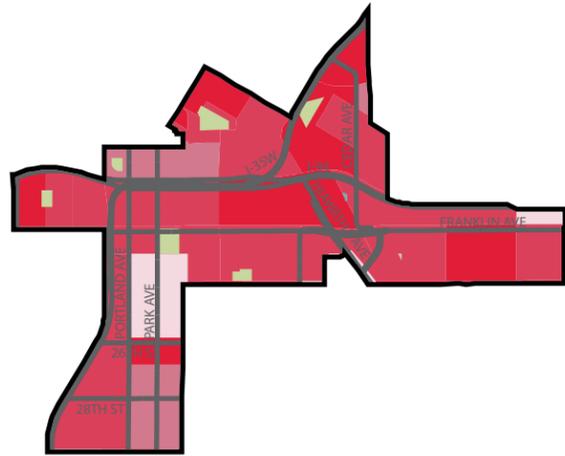
***The American Swedish Institute** is a vibrant arts and cultural organization in the Phillips West neighborhood of Ward 6. Its mission is to serve as a gathering place for all people to share experiences around themes of culture, migration, the environment and the arts, informed by enduring links to Sweden.*

The museum was originally housed in the Turnblad Mansion built between 1903 and 1908 on the corner of Park Ave S and 26th St by Swan Turnblad, a Swedish immigrant who eventually ran the Swedish language newspaper Svenska Amerikanska Posten. The home was donated to the American Institute for Swedish Arts, Literature and Science in 1929.

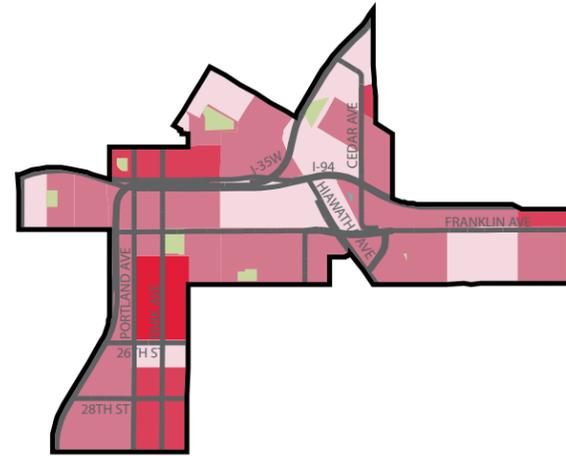
The recent addition of the contemporary style Nelson Cultural Center has added nearly 34,000 square feet to the institute and houses a restaurant, museum store and event spaces.

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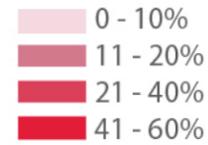
Employment



Percentage of Employed Population within the Labor Force



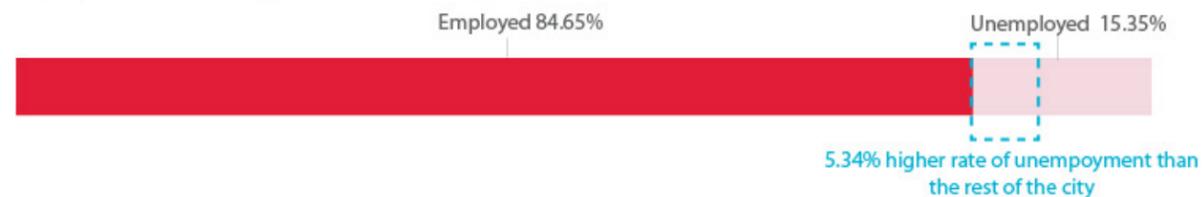
Percentage of Unemployed Population within the Labor Force



Employment as a Percentage of Civil Labor Force (Minneapolis)

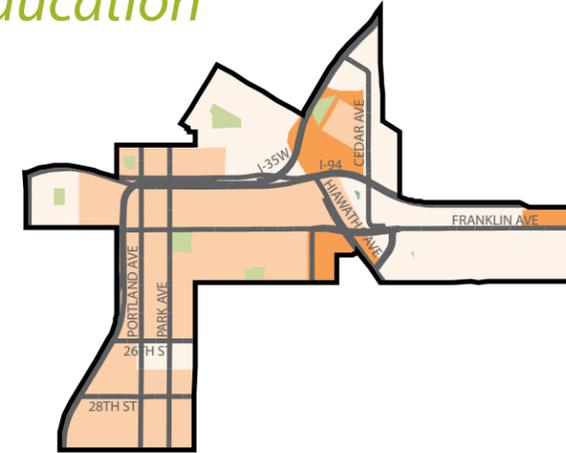


Employment as a Percentage of Civil Labor Force (Ward 6)

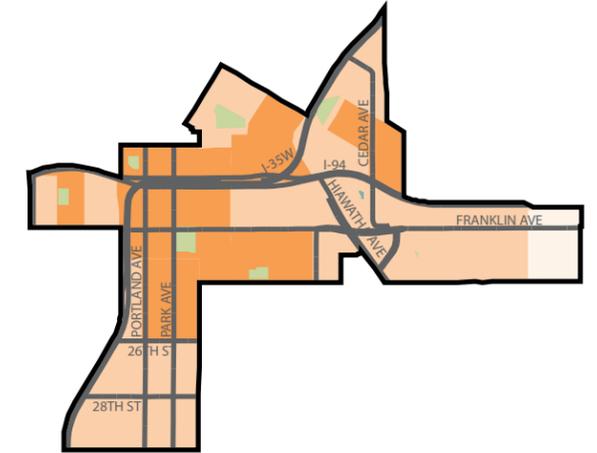


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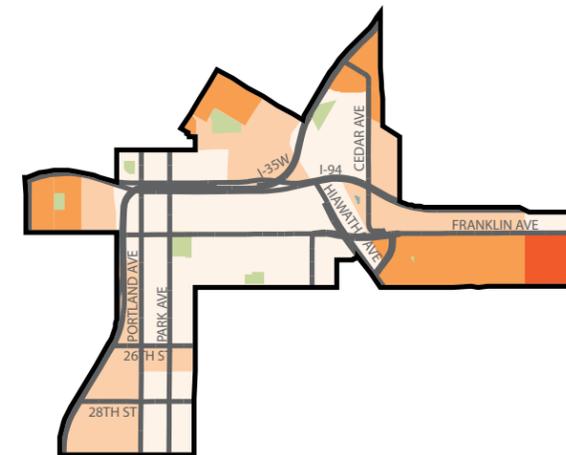
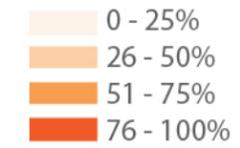
Education



Percentage of Population of Block Group with Less than a High School Education

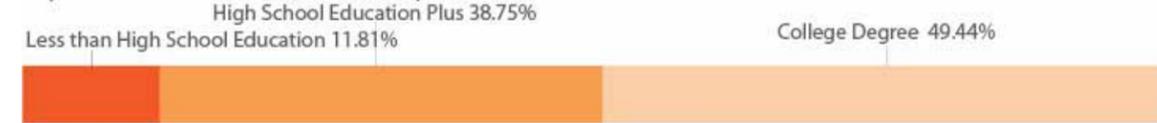


Percentage of Population of Block Group with a High School Education and Some College

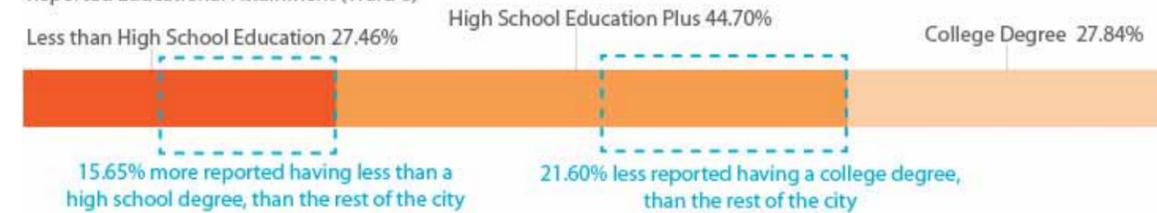


Percentage of Population of Block Group with a College Degree

Reported Educational Attainment (Minneapolis)

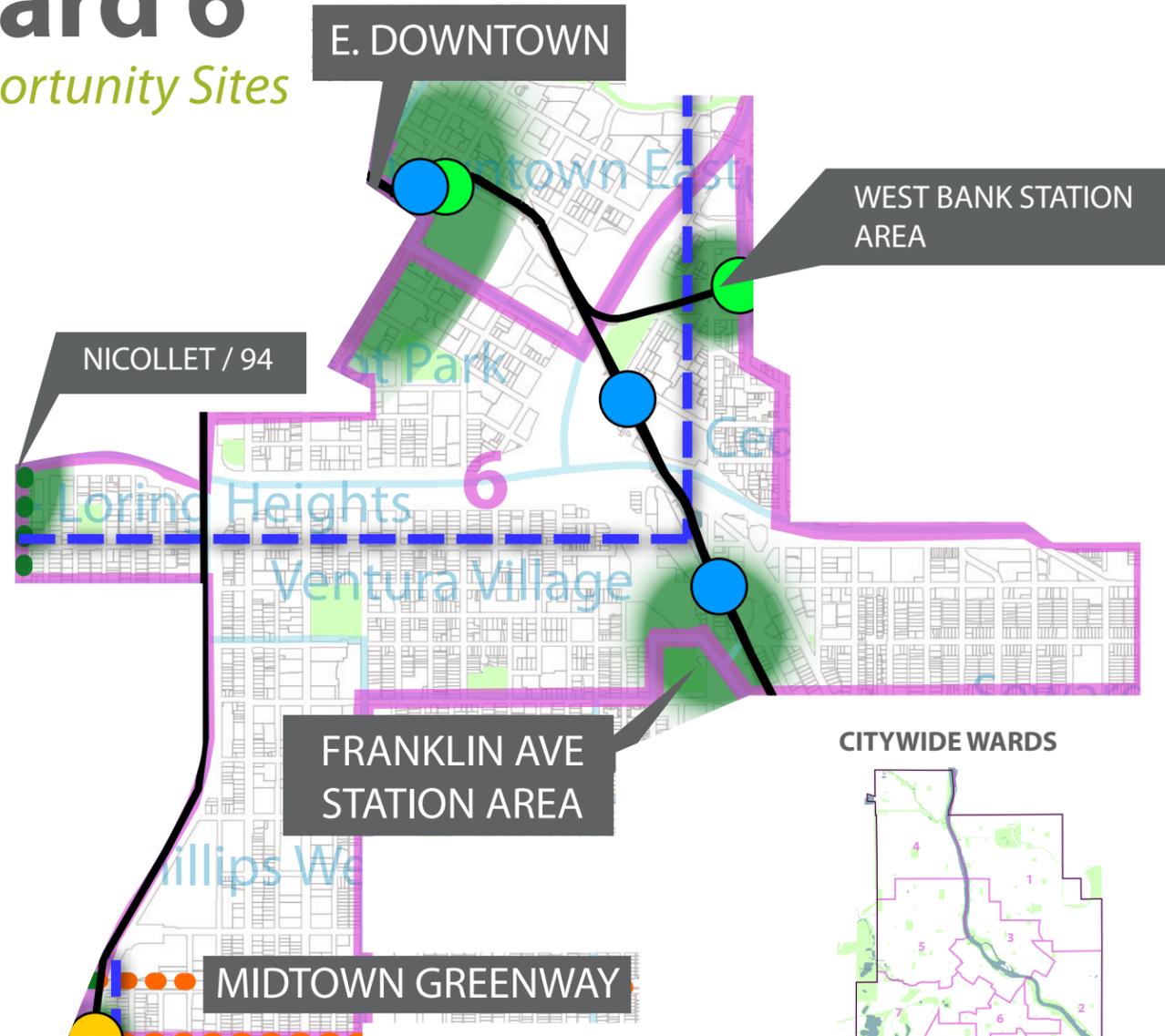


Reported Educational Attainment (Ward 6)



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Opportunity Sites



KEY

- Minneapolis City Council Wards
- City of Minneapolis Neighborhoods
- Minneapolis Park and Recreation property
- Light Rail Transit Lines and Stations
- Bus Rapid Transit (Orange Line)
- Near Term Opportunity Are:
- Long Term Opportunity Are
- Near Term Opportunity Corridor
- Long Term Opportunity Corridor
- City Priority Opportunity Area
- Potential Large Development Opportunity (Large site area with 5 or less property owners)

East Downtown

With construction of the Viking's Stadium and the Wells Fargo development East Downtown has entered a phase of renewal as former parking lots are repurposed with dense highly active uses. These developments will be further supported by the development of a signature downtown park which will serve as a gathering and recreational space for downtown employees, visitors, and residents. It will also serve as a catalyst for future development in East Downtown. Additional improvements to the public realm as identified in The Downtown Public Realm Framework will cement Downtown East as a premier destination in Minneapolis for jobs, housing, and recreation.



West Bank Station Area

The Cedar Riverside neighborhood is the only location in the City boasting separate light rail stations for both the Green and Blue light rail lines. Conveniently situated between the Downtown and the University of Minnesota, the neighborhood is home to a wealth of location advantages. Aside from the light rail infrastructure investment, nearly every major road in the neighborhood has seen improvements in recent years to make them friendlier to pedestrians and cyclists. The market has responded with several hundred new housing units built in the past two years. With reconfiguration of the road network in and around the Green and Blue Line stations, there is over 10 acres of land identified for potential development.



Franklin Avenue Station Area

The Franklin Avenue LRT station area on the Metro Blue Line presents an opportunity to transform over 40 acres of underdeveloped property and overbuilt auto infrastructure into a mixed-use, pedestrian-friendly activity center with opportunities for housing, retail, and employment. Franklin Avenue east and west of the station area thrives with cultural amenities, but the area closest to the platform is dominated by highway infrastructure and lacks active uses fronting the street. Filling this gap will require a coordinated and phased effort to redesign streets in a manner that supports transit-oriented development, as well as addressing other infrastructure barriers such as high-voltage transmission lines and underground utilities. For more information, see the Franklin Avenue LRT Station Area Development Implementation Plan. The station area is located in a racially-concentrated area of poverty as defined by the Metropolitan Council.



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Opportunity Sites

Nicollet & 94

The recently adopted Loring Park Neighborhood Master Plan identifies the area adjacent to the Minneapolis Convention Center along Nicollet Avenue as the Loring Village Activity Center. Redevelopment in this area is recommended for mixed use developments with neighborhood serving retail establishments in buildings up to six stories and in some cases up to ten stories. Future streetcar stops are planned at Nicollet Avenue and 18th, 15th, and 13th Streets, making this location highly desirable for investment.



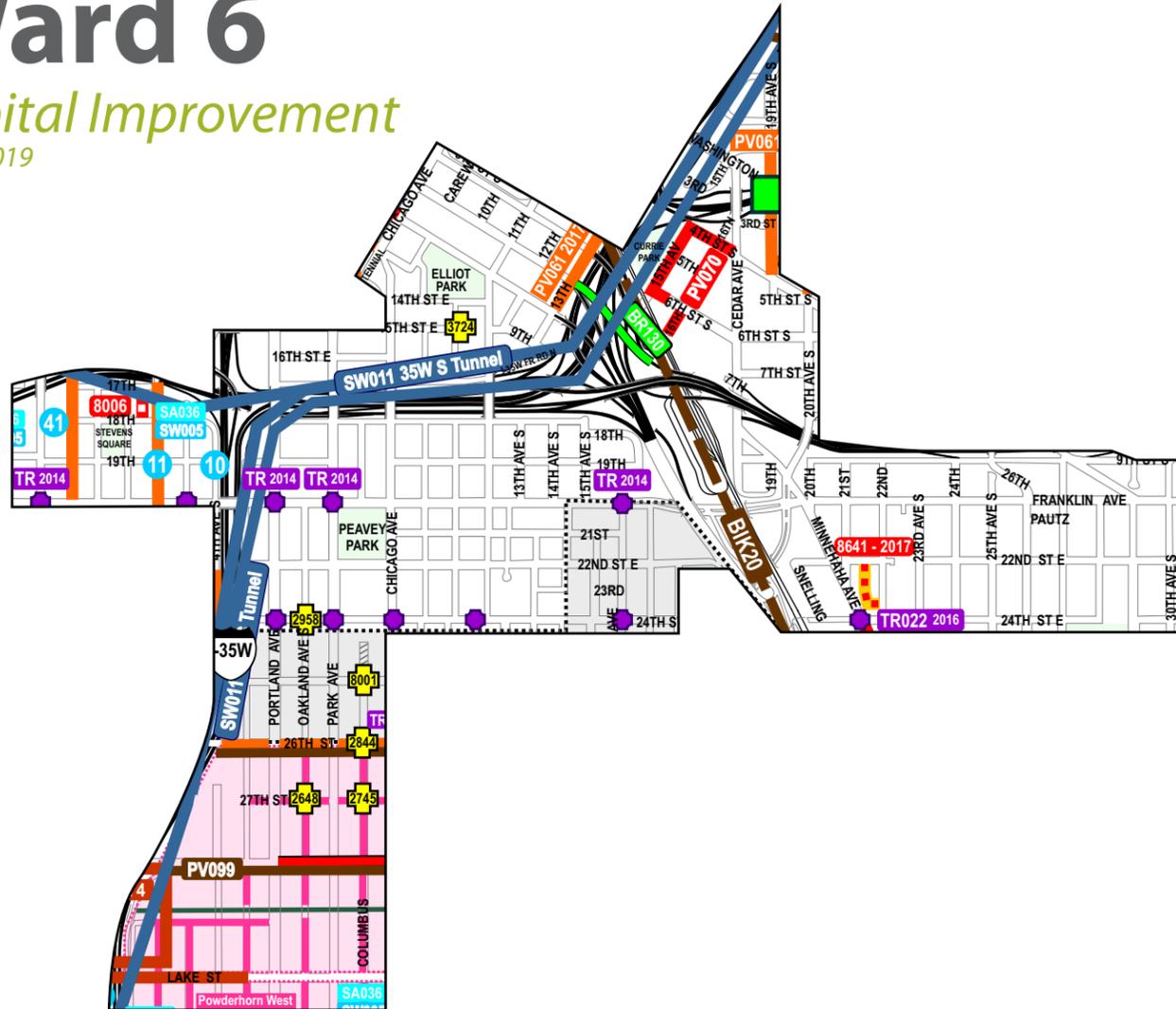
East Lake Street / Midtown Greenway

Substantial redevelopment has taken place on West Lake Street and properties fronting the Midtown Greenway in the southwest part of the city. Several small area plans adopted by the City Council envision that reinvestment continuing east across I-35W to the Mississippi River. Catalytic projects such as the Midtown Exchange as well as investments in small businesses along Lake Street have planted the seeds for achieving this vision. Future plans for rail transit in the Midtown Greenway and arterial bus rapid transit on Lake Street will enhance the livability of this already-vibrant corridor, making the area more attractive for developers. Securing funding for these transportation projects is key to jump-starting reinvestment in this area, much of which is located in a racially-concentrated area of poverty as defined by the Metropolitan Council. Adopted plans include the Midtown Greenway Land Use and Development Plan, the Midtown Minneapolis Land Use and Development Plan, and the Seward Longfellow Greenway Area Plan.



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Capital Improvement 2015-2019



LEGEND

- BIK20** BIKE
- SWK01** SIDEWALK
- BR101** BRIDGE
- PV001** PARKWAY
- PV006** PAVING
- PV056** RESURFACING
- PV061** HIGH VOLUME RESURFACING
- PV074** CSAH
- TR008** TRAFFIC
- SW004** CSO
- SW011** TUNNEL
- SA001** SANITARY SEWER
- SA036** I & I REMOVAL
- WTR12** WATER

Capital Improvement Plan*

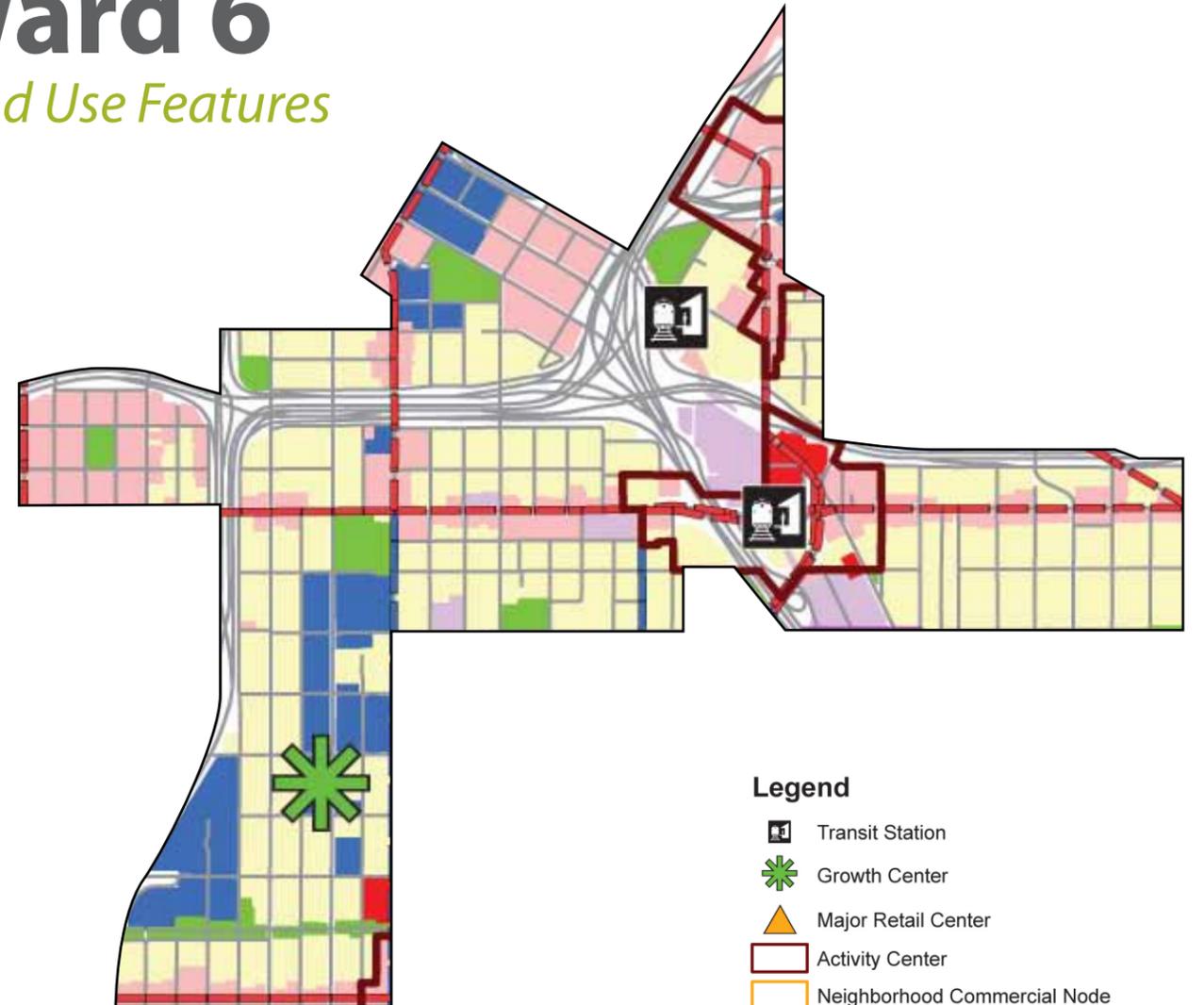
The City of Minneapolis Capital Improvement Plan is the 5-year strategic investment plan for infrastructure improvements within city bounds. It includes projects ranging from traffic and safety improvements to street lighting updates to repaving and complete street reconstruction.

Major upcoming improvements for Ward 6 include reconstruction of 15th Ave and 4th St around Riverside Plaza, reconstruction of E 28th Street and the Lake and 35W Transit Access project.

*For more detailed project information consult the full City of Minneapolis CIP map at <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/cip/>

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Land Use Features



Legend

- Transit Station
- Growth Center
- Major Retail Center
- Activity Center
- Neighborhood Commercial Node
- Industrial Employment District
- Commercial Corridor
- Community Corridor
- Centerline
- Urban Neighborhood
- Mixed Use
- Commercial
- Public and Institutional
- Transitional Industrial
- Industrial
- Parks and Open Space
- Water

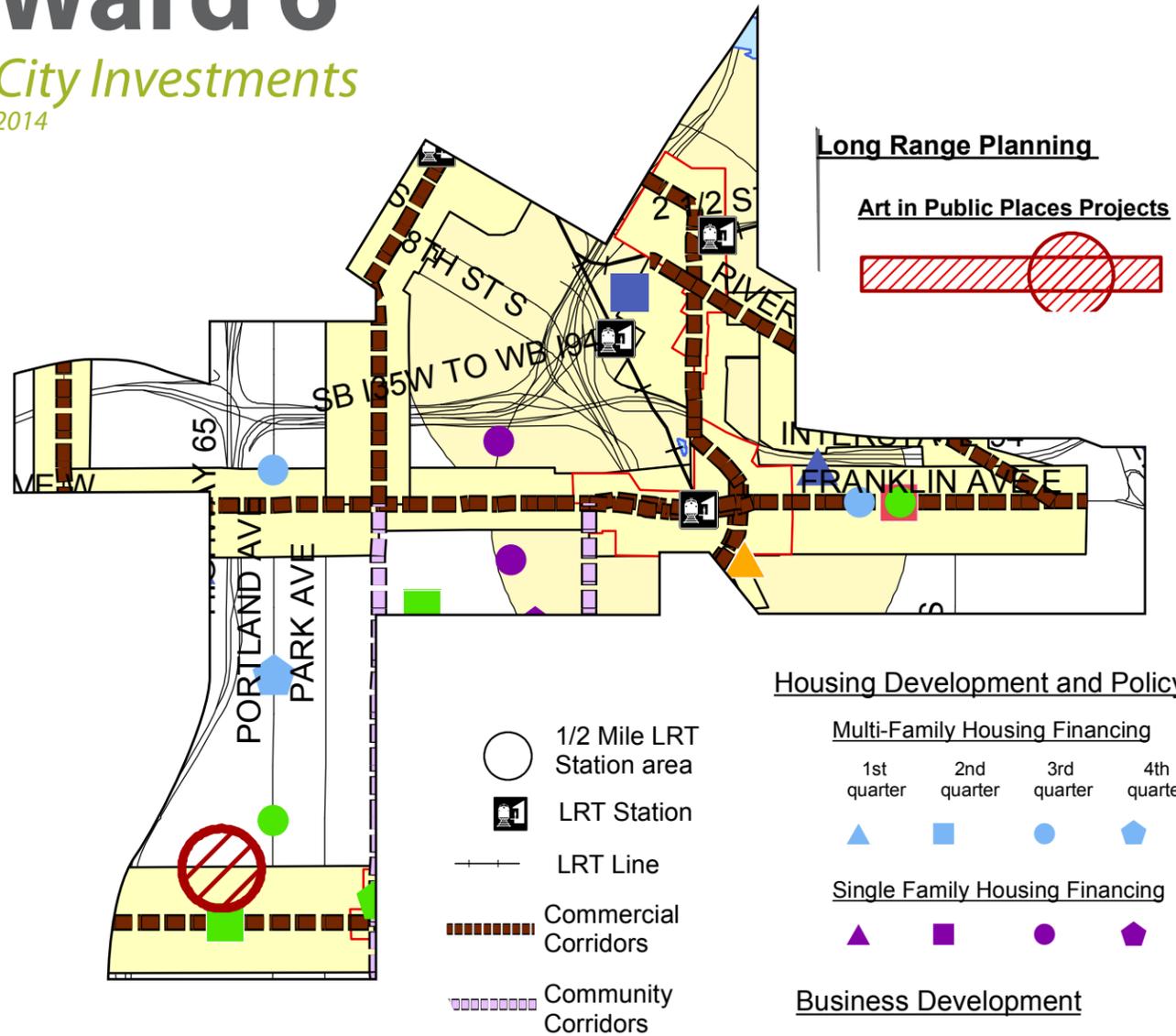
Land Use Features*

Ward 6 has a diverse mix of land uses including two major activity centers at Franklin / Cedar / Hiawatha and along Cedar and Washington Avenues on the West Bank. Additionally there are several mixed-use districts in Elliot Park and Stevens Square as well as a major growth center identified in Phillips West. Franklin Ave, Chicago Avenue and Cedar Avenue are all important commercial corridors as well as E Lake Street at the South end of Phillips West neighborhood. The transit station areas are also significant features.

*For more detailed information on Future Land Use consult the **Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth** online at : http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/plans/cped_plans

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City Investments
2014



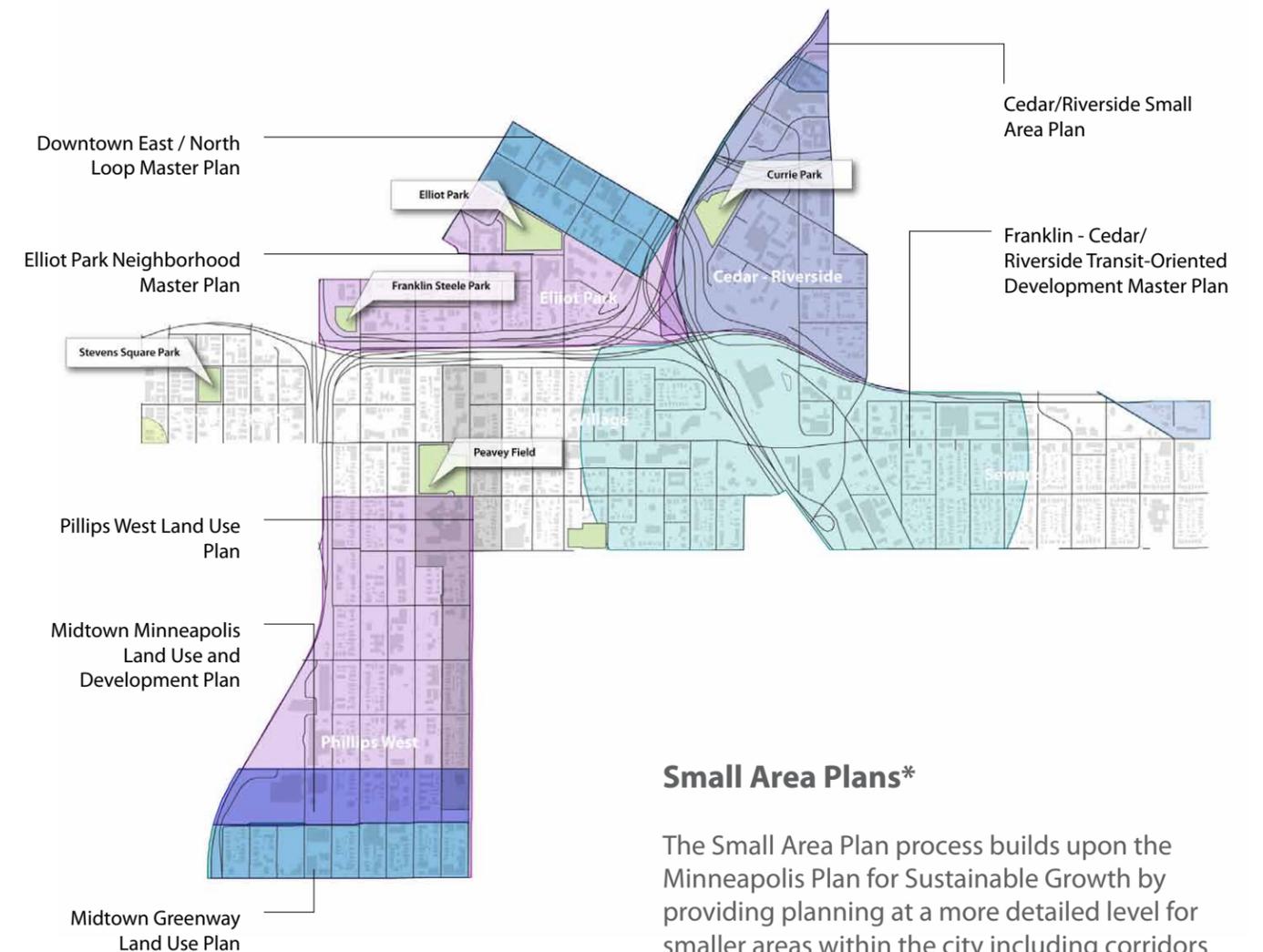
CPED Investments*

CPED administers a number of programs to support housing and business development in the city. Funds are targeted to meet City goals and priorities, including development and preservation of affordable mixed-income rental and ownership housing, business development and expansion, business district support, and public art. This map shows the distribution of CPED program investments made in 2014.

*For more detailed project information consult the city's adopted plans website at: http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/plans/cped_plans

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Small Area Plans



The Small Area Plan process builds upon the Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth by providing planning at a more detailed level for smaller areas within the city including corridors and transit station areas. These plans are generally intended to guide growth and development, taking into consideration specific contextual conditions and information.

Ward 6 has several city adopted plans shaping its future, including the Cedar/Riverside Small Area Plan, the Elliot Park Neighborhood Master Plan and the Phillips West Land Use Plan.

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